

CLAIMS

1. An orthodontic implant comprising at least one member, anchoring means disposed on said member, and a wire secured to the upper portion of said member and extending from said upper portion.

2. An orthodontic implant according to claim 1 wherein a pair of vertical and horizontal cross members intersect at an attachment point.

3. An orthodontic implant according to claim 2 wherein anchoring means is disposed on said cross members and wherein the upper portion of said vertical cross member is secured to a cap.

4. An orthodontic implant according to claim 3 wherein said wire extends from said cap.

5. An orthodontic implant according to claim 2 wherein multiple circular anchoring means are disposed along a portion of said cross member extending horizontally from said attachment point and extending vertically downwardly from said attachment point.

6. An orthodontic implant according to claim 3 wherein said upper portion is secured to said cap by means of cement.

7. An orthodontic implant according to claim 3 wherein the uppermost anchoring means on said vertical cross member is angular in configuration and is secured to said cap.

8. An orthodontic implant according to claim 1 wherein an archwire is attached to a patient's teeth and wherein said wire extends horizontally from said upper portion and is attached to said archwire.

9. A method of applying force to a distant tooth comprising the steps of placing an implant in a patient's mouth, having a portion of said implant extending from the patient's bone, said portion extending from bone being at least partially enclosed in a cap, extending a wire from said cap, and securing said wire to a patient's tooth or archwire remote from said cap.

10. A method according to claim 9, wherein multiple implants are placed in the patient's mouth one of which is anterior and one or more of which are posterior and wherein a second wire connects said posterior implants and said anterior implant so that a variety of forces can be applied from any location on said second wire to a patient's tooth or teeth.

11. An orthodontic cap for attachment to an implant comprising an open end such that said cap envelops a portion of said implant, said cap being quadrilateral-sided in configuration, and one of said sides being open.

12. An orthodontic cap according to claim 11 wherein a wire is secured to said cap and extends therefrom.